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PRESIDENT BONGO ANNOUNCED OVER THE WEEKEND THAT ZAMBIA WOULD BE UNABLE TO ACT AS HOST TO OAU SPECIAL SUMMIT ON SAHARA. IN AN INTERVIEW PUBLISHED TODAY, BONGO SAID HE HAD RECEIVED A MESSAGE TO THIS EFFECT FROM PRESIDENT KAUNDA VIA ZAMBIAN FOREIGN MINISTER MWALE HERE SEPTEMBER 9. ACCORDING TO BONGO, THE PRINCIPAL REASON GIVEN FOR LAUNDA'S DECISION WAS THE ESCALATION OF MILITARY ACTIVITIES ALONG THE ZAMBIA-RHODESIAN BORDER AND ZAMBIA'S RESULTANT INABILITY TO GUARANTEE SECURITY FOR VISITING DELEGATIONS. THE MESSAGE FROM KAUNDA ALSO NOTED THAT ONLY TWO STATES HAD MADE FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE SUMMIT AND THAT TWO THIRDS QUORUM HAD NOT BEEN ACHIEVED. PRESIDENT BONGO DECLARED THAT HE HAD REQUESTED THE OAU SECRETARIAT GENERAL TO FIND ANOTHER HOST FOR THE SPECIAL SUMMIT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. YATES
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